
Jerome P. Rapin



CAPTAIN, U.S. Navy (RET)

A Michigan native, Mr. Rapin joined the Civil Service in March 2001 following a 31½-year enlisted and officer career in the U.S. Navy and a brief period as a consultant in the private sector. He became a Senior Executive in 2003 and is currently assigned to the Navy Staff as Deputy to the Director of Cyber, Sensors and Electronic Warfare.

Mr. Rapin enlisted in 1968 as a Cryptologic Technician (Technical) "CTT" serving as an Electronic Intelligence operator and analyst at various shore and afloat assignments including submarine direct support operations with U.S. Forces, Republic of Vietnam. Participating in the Naval Enlisted Scientific Education Program, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry at the University of Utah and was commissioned an Ensign in August 1975.

As a junior officer he served as Combat Information Center and Electronic Warfare Officer in USS Valdez (FF 1096), Cryptologic Division Officer and Operations Department Head in USS South Carolina (CGN 37), qualified as a Surface Warfare Officer, completed the postgraduate intelligence curriculum at the Defense Intelligence College, and attended Russian language training at the Defense Language Institute.

He served on various shore staff and operational assignments including Fleet Cryptologic Support Officer at CINCUSNAVEUR and as Operations Officer, U.S. Naval Security Group Activity Edzell, Scotland.

As a senior officer he served as Fleet Cryptologist with COMSEVENTHFLT, where he was dual-hatted as the senior cryptologic officer assigned to COMUSNAVCENT for the entirety of operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

His Washington area experience includes tours as a National Security Agency "Director's Fellow" and Legislative Affairs Officer and as Deputy Director of Naval Intelligence for Plans Programs and Policy (OPNAV N-20). He attended the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and was awarded a master's of science (cum laude) in national resource allocation. Mr. Rapin retired from active Naval service as a Captain in 1999 following three years in command of the Kunia Regional Security Operations Center and Naval Security Group Activity Kunia. From 2001-2009 he directed the Navy Cryptologic Office at the National Security Agency.